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COUNTRY **USSR**

REPORT [REDACTED]

SUBJECT

Unusually Great Sounds and Lights at
Kedainiai Airport/Explosions of Objects
in Air Concentration

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- During my first interrogation I believe the interpreter misunderstood me in stating that the airfield which I visited where my cousin worked was located 25 km west of Kedainiai. I lived at Trankava, which is about 25 km east of Kedainiai (55°17'N. 23°58'E), the city I visited most frequently. The airstrip [REDACTED] is only a short distance from the center of Kedainiai, probably about two kilometers. It lies to the right of the road from Kedainiai to Dotnuva and, although it is enclosed by a high board fence on the side facing the road, one can see the top of buildings at the airport from the Dotnuva road. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the airport, which is enclosed by a high wire fence around the perimeter with the exception of the front, which is also screened by a tall board fence. [REDACTED]

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building marked "Bakery," also there was a store for soldiers stationed there. There are officers' quarters in the same area. [redacted] the total number of buildings. The barracks in which my cousin lived was L-shaped and accommodated many soldiers.

6. About two or three years ago the activities at the Edainiai airport changed because we began noticing lights burning all night at the airstrip. The glow from these lights was clearly visible [redacted]

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[redacted] In addition to the glow of lights, from time to time there would be perhaps four to six extremely bright lights which would be seemingly suspended in the air well above the airport and would remain glowing for several minutes at a time. [redacted] they did not appear to be moving in any direction, either vertical or horizontal, but seemingly remained fixed. Sometimes all would disappear at the same time, other times one or more might go out before the others. Additionally, from time to time powerful searchlights could be seen sweeping the sky, and occasionally aircraft flying over would be caught in the beam. Beginning about the time that the bright lights appeared over the airport, [redacted] extremely loud noises. [redacted]

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[redacted] the intensity was very great and the sound seemingly filled the whole world with noise and kept rising in volume. [redacted] the noise was always heard either during or after the appearance of the bright lights over the airport, [redacted]

7. Military activity in Edainiai has been increasing over a period of several years. Five or six years ago there were two or three explosions in the air of what we presumed to be aircraft launched from the base. [redacted] these explosions [redacted] must be experimenting with some new type aircraft out there. During the past year or so [redacted] lights from the airport at Banevys (54°44'N, 24°21'E), which is approximately 40 km from Truskava.

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8. Edainiai is known as a military town and [redacted] there are more soldiers than civilians living there. There was general uneasiness among the people because of the noisy activity at the airfield and the explosions we mentioned. [redacted]

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[redacted] do not believe there is any manufacturing of missiles in the Kedainiai area because it is such a small city that any production would not have gone undetected by the Lithuanians living there. [redacted] 50X1-HUM

[redacted] the tremendous noise and 24-hour activity at the base in recent years made it apparent to everyone that some unusual work was going on there and the people were concerned that they might be destroyed in whatever activity this might be.

9. [redacted] an underground airport was being constructed at Kedainiai. This was a general rumor which everyone knew rather than my having been told specifically about an underground airport by someone. [redacted] 50X1-HUM

10. Troops have been continuously stationed in Kedainiai since WWII and, [redacted] the number has increased yearly since that time. All of the military personnel in Kedainiai wear the insignia of either chevrons or airmen. Below is a freehand sketch of these insignia. [redacted] 50X1-HUM



The last convey of military equipment and men was about 1959. There are three areas in Kedainiai where military personnel are stationed. The first is on the airport [redacted] There are quarters for soldiers and their families located about 200 meters from the tunnel where the Kaunas highway leading into Kedainiai goes under the railroad. The quarters are in the south quadrant of the intersection with the first street one runs west of the railroad. [redacted] 50X1-HUM

[redacted] Kedainiai was such a small city that we did not use street names. The third location is on Josvaini Street (the street leading to the village of Josvaini), one or two blocks from the center of the city of Kedainiai. [redacted] 50X1-HUM

11. There has been a general program of preparedness for war in Lithuania in recent years. School children are instructed in emergency procedures and are shown educational films on what to do in air alerts and emergencies. The Communist Party members continually talk about a nuclear war with the US and when the Soviet Union will conquer the West. [redacted] 50X1-HUM

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